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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7675**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 368

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 7, 2007

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** County Drug Free Community Fund.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Kruse

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**    **GENERAL**  
                              **X DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that money remaining in the County Drug Free Community Fund after allocations to entities for services and activities shall be used to provide additional services and activities and to meet costs related to the operations of the Local Coordinating Council.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2007.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** This bill allows a local coordinating council to use money which remains in the County Drug Free Community Fund, after appropriations by the county fiscal body, for costs related to the operations of the councils. Such costs can include: administrative costs; purchases of real estate; construction, renovation, or maintenance of a building or structure; or furnishings. Money allocated from the fund to persons, organizations, agencies, and political subdivisions for services and activities must be used for those services and activities and may not be used for costs related to the operations of the councils.

The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) reports that councils are currently using money from the fund to support operating costs. Thus, no change in expenditures is anticipated.

*Background Information:* Money in the County Drug Free Community Funds is annually appropriated by the county fiscal body from fund amounts allocated by the county legislative body for the use of persons,

organizations, agencies, and political subdivisions to carry out actions recommended in the county Comprehensive Drug Free Communities Plan. The Plan is submitted by the council and approved by the Commission for a Drug Free Indiana. Under current law, at least 25% of fund dollars are to go to each of the following: (1) prevention and education services; (2) intervention and treatment services; (3) criminal justice services and activities; and (4) provide services and activities under (1), (2), and (3).

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Commission for a Drug Free Indiana.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local coordinating councils; County fiscal bodies.

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